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IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 3, 4, 13, 19-20.

Amend claim 1, 2, 5-12, 14-18 to read as follows.

1. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag comprising: a dry bag-shaped cavity formed of permeable and impermeable media portions for storing dirt; an inlet for conveying dirt into said cavity; and a resealable opening comprising interlocking continuous profiles and a slider for engaging and disengaging profiles for closing and opening said bag.
2. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 wherein said media portion is hydrophobic.
5. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 wherein said permeable media comprises air-permeable material capable of separating dirt from airflow.
6. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 wherein said permeable media includes a frame and a pleated media sealed in said frame.
7. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 wherein said permeable media includes at least one layer of expanded polytetrafluoroethylene.
8. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 wherein said permeable media includes at least one layer of microfiberglass.
9. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 wherein said permeable media includes at least one layer of paper.

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10. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 wherein said permeable media includes at least one layer of non-woven.

11. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 wherein said permeable media includes at least one layer of electrostatic media.

12. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 wherein said impermeable media is transparent for observing contents within said bag.

14. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 further including antimicrobial materials.

15. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 further including odor modification means.

16. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 wherein said permeable media is replaceable.

17. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 wherein said permeable media includes a shield.

18. (Currently amended) A vacuum cleaner bag as in claim 1 wherein said permeable media includes a pre-filter.

Please see Appendix 1 for the changes made to claims. Terms underlined are to be added. Terms bracketed are to be deleted.